

South King County Projects Update

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South King County traffic closures this week

Interstate 5

- Wednesday and Thursday nights expect closures of the left lane of southbound I-5 from S. 320th to the Pierce County line from 8 pm to 11 am for paving, weather permitting.

Sound Transit building light rail from Tukwila to downtown Seattle



Many of you have wondered what crews are building along SR 518, I-5, and SR 599 in Tukwila. This work is part of Sound Transit's [Central Link Light Rail Project](#). Unlike Sound Transit's direct access ramp projects, WSDOT is not designing or building this project, although much of the work along the freeways is in WSDOT's right-of-way. Sound Transit began light rail construction in late 2003 on the 14-mile initial segment, which runs between Tukwila and downtown Seattle. Later this year, Sound Transit will begin building the 1.7-mile extension to Sea-Tac Airport. Service is scheduled to begin in 2009. For more information, visit [Sound Transit's project Web site](#).

Crews finish installing cable median barrier on SR 18 in Kent/Covington area

Last week crews completed installation of cable median barrier on SR 18 between SE 304th and SR 516. This work, paid for with gas tax money from the [2005 Legislative Transportation Funding Package](#), is part of a [larger \\$8.8 million effort](#) to install approximately 70 miles of cable guardrail in eight counties and on nine separate highways across Washington to help prevent crossover and head-on accidents. We're completing this project as quickly as possible because it will save lives.

Highway advisory radio updates

Tune your radio to 1520 AM to hear a new project update each week on I-5 in Federal Way. Questions or comments? E-mail [Laura Johnson](#).